JANUARY 2024 CLIMATE SUMMARY National Weather Service Tallahassee - Tri-State Area

<u>Tallahassee</u> - Warmer and wetter than normal. The highest/lowest temperatures of the month were 80°/25°. There were a total of 7 freezing days, 4 of which were consecutive from 15th-18th. The 30-year climate normal period average (1991-2020) for the number of 32° or lower freezing days in January is 10. Tallahassee narrowly missed out on a hard freeze during the two Arctic blasts. The capital city has not seen 23° or lower since 12/27/2022, which is the 11th longest streak on record! Looking at precipitation, a total of 5.35" was measured at <u>KTLH</u> (1.09" above normal). The greatest 24-hr accumulation was 1.9" on the 6th. A total of 3 days recorded at least a half-inch of rain.

Remainder of the FL Big Bend - Near to below-normal temperatures and near to above-normal rainfall. The highest/lowest temperatures at Apalachicola and Cross City were $80^{\circ}/27^{\circ}$ and $82^{\circ}/28^{\circ}$, respectively with a mean average temperature of $\sim 53^{\circ}-54^{\circ}$. There were a total of 7 freezing days between the two sites, which is below average. In terms of precipitation, KAAF was much wetter (6.74") compared to KCTY (2.90"). The former was over 2 ½ inches above normal.

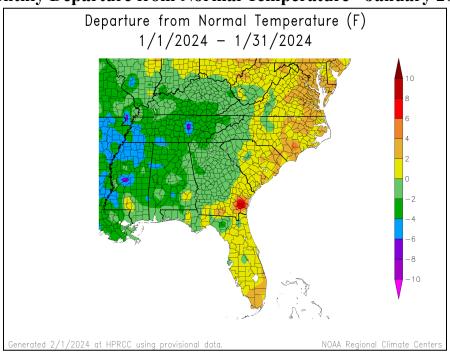
<u>FL Panhandle</u> - Mostly cooler and wetter than normal. The highest/lowest temperatures at Panama City Airport and Marianna were $75^{\circ}/23^{\circ}$ and $79^{\circ}/20^{\circ}$, respectively with a mean average temperature of ~50°-53°. There were a total of 17 freezing days between the two sites, 3 of which were met by a hard freeze. The former is mostly above average. Looking at rainfall, <u>KECP</u> (4.59") was near normal, while <u>KMAI</u> was above-normal (5.95").

Southwest GA - Mostly near to cooler than normal outside of parts of South-Central GA where Valdosta was warmer by over 3°. From the 24th-27th, KVLD recorded at least 80°, with the 84° on the 27th tying the all-time monthly record high, most recently achieved on 1/29/2013! Valdosta only experienced 6 freezing days (below average), and just like KTLH, narrowly missed out on its first hard freeze since 12/27/2022. Meanwhile, Albany experienced 3 hard freezes with the lowest monthly reading of 19° on the 17th. There were a total of 12 freezing days observed at KABY, which is slightly above the 30-yr climate normal period average and highest number of such days since 18 in 2018. Much of SW GA experienced below-normal precipitation especially near the FL border between the interstate corridors. Albany fell short of the monthly average by ½ of an inch at 3.71", of which 66% of the total accumulation fell between the 5th & 6th. Valdosta merely measured just over an inch in January.

 $\underline{\text{SE AL}}$ - Cooler and wetter than normal. The highest/lowest temperatures at Dothan were 79 $^{\circ}$ /19 $^{\circ}$. It was the first sub-20 $^{\circ}$ reading since Christmas Eve 2024. There were a total of 7

freezing days (slightly below average), of which two were met with a hard freeze. A total of 6" of rain fell for the month at KDHN, which is about 1 ½ inch above normal.

Monthly Departure from Normal Temperature - January 2024



Monthly Departure From Normal Precipitation - January 2024

